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FROM ATHERTON THROUGH SISCO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, IS, US, OVIP (ALLON, YIGAL)

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: POSSIBLE ALLON STOP IN
WASHINGTON (S/S NO.7603708)

1. YOU WILL HAVE SEEN TEL AVIV 1295 IN WHICH TOON
REPORTED THAT ALLON WOULD BE WILLING TO STOP BY WASHINGTON
FRIDAY, MARCH 12 ON HIS WAY HOME TO ISRAEL AFTER HIS LATIN
AMERICAN TRIP. IT STRIKES ME THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO
HAVE AN EXCHANGE WITH ALLON SINCE HERMANN WILL HAVE BEEN
BACK FOR CONSULTATIONS AND PRESUMABLY WILL HAVE HAD AN
OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH SADAT BEFORE ALLON'S ARRIVAL HERE.

2. IN ADDITION, THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT RABIN MAY BE
MAKING SOME HEADWAY IN HIS EFFORTS TO BRING THE CABINET
AROUND TO A MORE FLEXIBLE POSITION ON THE QUESTION OF
NEGOTIATIONS. WE DO NOT YET HAVE A FULL REPORT ON YESTER-
DAY'S ISRAELI CABINET MEETING BUT PRESS ACCOUNTS STATE
THAT THE CABINET "AUTHORIZED THE USG TO SOUND OUT EGYPT,
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JORDAN, AND SYRIA ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF NEGOTIATING AN

END TO THE STATE OF WAR BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ITS NEIGHBORS
INSTEAD OF FORMAL PEACE TREATIES".

3. I RECOMMEND THAT YOU INVITE ALLON TO STOP BY WASHINGTON
ON MARCH 12. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH YOUR OFFICE AND FOUND

THAT YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO DELIVER A SPEECH IN BOSTON
MARCH 11 AND HAVE AN EVENING ENGAGEMENT IN NEW YORK CITY
MARCH 12. OTHERWISE YOUR SCHEDULE IS OPEN FOR THE 12TH
AND A MEETING WITH ALLON COULD BE ARRANGED.

4. RECOMMENDATION:

THAT YOU AUTHORIZE US TO CONVEY ON YOUR BEHALF AN
INVITATION TO ALLON TO VISIT WASHINGTON ON MARCH 12.

APPROVE . DISAPPROVE

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